



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Chief Administrative Officer
Director of Personnel
Director of Parks and Recreation

At its meeting held May 30, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisors Burke and Antonovich:

“During the Summer of 2005, the Department of Parks and Recreation implemented the Youth Enhancing Parks Program (YEPP) in direct response to community requests for park programs or employment targeting teens/young adults, and funded it through salary savings. From June 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005, the Department provided an additional 51,158 hours of work experience to more than 300 at-risk youth between the ages of 14 and 24 years old at various park sites. The YEPP project enabled youth participation in the enhancement of County regional and community parks located in their own community through part-time employment and allowed youth to develop a broad range of skills and knowledge while providing the work experience necessary to enter into the competitive job market.

“The Department is pursuing funding for the Summer YEPP for FY 2006-2007. The Department estimates that it will need approximately 300 part-time hourly employees for a total cost of \$375,000 to fund the summer program. The proposed YEPP program targets low-income youth and young adults who live in the County of Los Angeles to mitigate the barriers that are faced by youth in inner city neighborhoods who lack the resources to obtain job preparation skills. Program partners include community and faith-based organizations, school districts, other County departments, neighboring city governments, and other municipalities. In order to hire youth by the time school is out for the summer, the Department needs hiring authority immediately.”

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Therefore, Supervisor Burke made a motion that the Board take the following actions:

1. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to hire 300 Youth Worker NC (noncompetitive) items on a temporary, hourly basis, at an estimated program cost of \$175,500 through the end of the Fiscal Year, using current Fiscal Year 2005-06 salary savings to fund the proposed Youth Enhancing Parks Program;
2. Instruct the Chief Administrative Officer to report back to the Board during Budget Deliberations on possible funding strategies to allow the program to continue past July 1, 2006, and in future fiscal years; and
3. Authorize the Director of Personnel to approve new NC ordinance positions for Youth Worker, Youth Worker General Labor, and Youth Worker Facilities Support, to enable the Director of Parks and Recreation to create eligible rosters on which all candidates are reachable, in lieu of competitive, banded eligible lists, for more rapid hiring of At-Risk Youth and Foster Youth, effective immediately.

Russ Guiney, Director of Parks and Recreation and Lynn Wallensack, Assistant Director, Administrative Services Agency, Department of Parks and Recreation, responded to questions posed by the Board.

After discussion, Supervisor Yaroslavsky made a suggestion that Supervisor Burke's recommendation No. 1 be amended to change the program cost to \$100,000. Supervisor Burke accepted Supervisor Yaroslavsky's amendment.

Supervisor Burke's motion, as amended, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, was unanimously carried.

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